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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed on February 18, 2004 in connection with the above-identified patent application. A shortened statutory period for filing the response to the Office Action expired on May 18, 2004. To extend the time for filing the response to August 18, 2004, a Petition for a three month extension is filed concurrently herewith. Reconsideration of this case is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.